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THE CRISIS WITH JAPAN.

(From the "National Review," China.)

The critical relations between this country and Japan still continue, and it seems to be clear that the two Governments have diametrically opposed ideas as to how the crisis should be treated. In the Chinese side the only hopeful policy to pursue is a policy of fighting for time. Time is for China the essential thing. The more time she can gain the more hope, the more likelihood that something may crop up to thwart Japanese designs and to avert the crisis of China. Japan, however, on the other hand has in rushing the whole thing through, and pushing it through at the very earliest possible moment. If Japan allows any time to pass down she will give the impression that she is not remaining keen upon her demands, and moreover will provide so much longer a period in which something may turn up to her disadvantage. For Japan the thing to do is to strike whilst the iron is hot, or she may not get the chance to strike at all. It is quite certain that if the demands that have so far been outlined by the press, especially the press friendly to Japan, are not pressed home and satisfied before the close of this war in Europe they will never be satisfied after the war; for they are so entirely subversive of legitimate foreign interests in this country that the foreign Powers represented in Peking would of their own motion take very effective action in the direction of their withdrawal. What we cannot understand is why so many Powers who have pledged their friendship to this country cannot at the present moment take first step to prevent the further haraquinade of the Peking authorities by a series of demands which, whatever the justice or merits of justice, are being made at a most inopportune time. There are sufficient great Powers represented in Peking and entirely friendly to each other to make a joint protest effective, even if it be not possible to get all the Powers into line.

The most significant fact about the demands is the great and unceasing effort that is being made by the Japanese authorities to keep their nature secret; hidden from the outside world, and thus impossible of public discussion. Every European Power engaged in the present war has issued its defense in the form of Government publications of one colour or another. Japan, who pushed herself into the conflict quite accidentally, stands only amongst the Powers involved as not having the courage to publish the diplomatic correspondence preceding her mad adventure. In the present instance exactly the same policy is being pursued. Japan apparently does not submit her claims to the scrutiny of the world. Neither dare she submit them to the detailed scrutiny of the Chinese Government, for she asks that they shall be accepted as a whole before detailed discussion is begun.

As we have said, the one resource of the Chinese Government, failing the loudly vaunted friendship of all the other Powers for this country, is to issue a series of delay and procrastination. It is absolutely imperative that every possible means of settlement be postponed, even if the postponement be merely on the strength of a power to discuss the matter later on. The best temporary settlement that could be reached, however, would be a decision to refer the points at issue to The Hague. If Japan's demands are just, if they are well founded, if they do not infringe the rights of others, if they are not being pressed simply with a view to the forthcoming elections in Japan, then there is absolutely no doubt whatever that they would receive recognition as just and well founded before an independent tribunal. Let Japan submit her claims to general and impartial examination. That is all. China or anybody else need not. We are quite certain that this country would be very glad to abide by the decision of such a tribunal, which could easily deal with the most or quite as expeditiously as Japan wishes to do.

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SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company
will be held at the Office of the General
Agents, Pedder's Street, on WEDNES-
DAY the 24th March at 12.15 P.M., for
the purpose of receiving the Report and
Statement of Accounts for the year ending
31st December, 1914.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 11th to
24th March, both days inclusive.

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ANNUAL MEETING of the above Company
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DAY the 24th March at 12.15 P.M., for
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NOTICE

THE FORTY-SIXTH MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company
will be held at the Company's Office,
No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria,
on THURSDAY, the 29th March, 1915, at 12 o'clock noon, for the
purpose of receiving a Statement of
Accounts and the Report of the Directors
for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 21st to
the 29th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
D. P. PEMBERTON,
Secretary.

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Hongkong, March 3, 1915. 201

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THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED) on

WEDNESDAY,
the 17th March, 1915, at 2.30 p.m., at No. 5, Cameron Terrace, Kowloon.

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Also

Piano in good condition and a number of Pots of Plants.

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HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, March 11, 1915. 229

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from The REGI-TAX, SCRAMBLE COURTS, to sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,
the 24th March, 1915, at 12 Noon, at No. 23, Morrison Hill Road,

THE WHOLE OF THE
PLANT, MACHINERY, &c., &c.,
for the Manufacture of Boots and Shoes
therein contained.

Full particulars and Inspecting Orders
may be had from the Undersigned, or
Messrs. EWENS & NEEDHAM.

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HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioners to the Government.
Hongkong, March 1, 1915. 191

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

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TUESDAY,
the 18th March, 1915, commanding at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

A QUANTITY OF
VALUABLE TEAKWOOD AND

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TEAKWOOD—Drawing Room Suites, Chesterfield Sofas and Chairs, (new), Bedroom Suites, Dining Room Furniture, Arm-chairs and Sofas, Carpets and Rugs, Brass and Brass-mounted Bedsteads, Toilet Tables, Wardrobes, Washstands, etc., Sideboards, Dining Waggon, Extension Dining Tables and Chairs, etc., etc., Dinner and Dessert Services, Crockery, Glass and E.P. Ware, Cooking, Stoves, (new), Cutlery, Kitchen Utensils, Fenders and Fire Brasses, etc., etc.

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One Piano, Blackwood Desks, Electric Reading Lamps, one Rocking, etc.

Catalogues will be issued.

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Hongkong, March 10, 1915. 221

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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FACTS ABOUT THE WAR.

A BULLETIN OF INFORMATION
PUBLISHED BY THE PARIS
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

(Continued from yesterday's issue.)

Our Situation on December 1st.

Such are the essential facts of the campaign in their exact sequence.

The heroic acts performed by our

troops are well-known, so we shall, in conclusion, merely state the situation of our armies at the beginning of December.

As to numbers, the French army is

today equal to what it was on August

2nd, the raps having all been filled up again.

The quality of the troops has

greatly improved. Our men now fight like old soldiers. They are each of them

thoroughly imbued with their own au-

thority, and have full faith in an

ultimate victory.

On July 23rd, notes in circulation

represented an amount of 5,912,000,000

fr., on October 1st, 8,290,000,000, and

on the 15th of same month: 9,354,000,000

fr. The emission was limited officially

to the amount of 12 milliards, thus

leaving a wide margin, and it is not sur-

prising, under these conditions, that

French notes hold good ahead.

The banking transactions, during a

period of two months and a half, from

the beginning of the war, show clearly

why French notes can be relied on.

FINANCIAL SITUATION IN FRANCE.

In a recent interview, Mr. Elbet,

minister of finance to France, declared

that the situation, from a financial point

of view, was "in general as satisfactory

as possible." During these four months

war, we have been able, without

recourse to a loan, to supply the war

office and the other departments with

the very considerable sum, of which

they stood in need. We have met these

expenses not by loans, but with the re-

sources of the treasury, which amply

sufficed. The Bank of France has sup-

plied us with considerably large sums

without any notable increase in emis-

sion of notes since the beginning of the

war. Never has the credit of the Bank

of France been firmer: our bank-notes

are at a premium, whereas a gradual

decrease in value of German paper-money

is to be observed. During these four

months, we have met all the require-

ments for the defence of our Nation, and

prepared the way to a return of a nor-

mal state of peace, from a financial point

of view, as much as circumstances per-

mitted."

On the 15th December, the total of

the "National defence bonds" sub-

scription, in France alone, amounted to

over a thousand millions; 102 millions

francs' worth of Treasury bonds were

issued in England and the United

States.

THE HARVEST AND AGRICULTURAL PROSPECTS

IN FRANCE.

The corn harvest was a good average

one this year in France. The Minister

of Agriculture, who recently visited 12

Departments, found too, that the pros-

pects for next harvest, in preparation

there, were as satisfactory as could be

desired; corn-sowing has already been

done over three quarters of the tilled

ground.

On the whole the wine produce of the

19 wine-growing departments in France

realized 33 million hectoliters (over 730

million gallons) this year, whereas it

was only 25 million hectoliters (about

533 million gallons) in 1913. Therefore,

the wine production was superior this

year by one third, to what it was last.

The current price of wheat in France

last August, was 27 fr. 71 and it is no

more than 29 fr. 25 to day. The average

price of sugar, which was 33 fr. 47 in

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THE DIARY.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.
9.15 p.m.—"The Quaints" at the Theatre Royal.

MEMO. FOR MONDAY.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of the Hongkong Daily at Kennedy's Stables, Causeway Bay.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, March 13.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Teakwood and Blackwood Furniture etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Haugh's.

WEDNESDAY, March 17.—
St. Patrick's Day.

THURSDAY, March 18.—
12.30 p.m.—H.R. Fire Insurance Co.'s Meeting.

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SATURDAY, March 20.—
Entries close for H.K. Cricket Club
Tennis Tournament.

WEDNESDAY, March 24.—
Noon.—Auction of Plant and Machinery for making Boots and Shoes, at No. 22, Morrison Hill Road.

MON.—China Sugar Refining Co., Meeting.

12.15 p.m.—Latian Sugar Refining Co., Meeting.

THURSDAY, March 25.—
Lady Day.

Noon.—China Fire Insce. Co.'s Meeting.

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2,210,000 tons against 2,400,000 tons. Much of the coal needed here comes from Rhine and Westphalia, and Belgium, and the French industry has also secured an interest in the coal districts in question, amounting, it is said, to about 100,000,000 francs. On the other hand, a number of German iron-works have obtained concessions and interest in the minette mines in French Lorraine, amongst them the Differdinger Hütte, the Thyssen concern, the German-Luxemburg Mining Company, the Phoenix Company, the Gelsenkirchener Mining Company, the Hesler Iron and Steel Company, &c. The home consumption within the Meurthe and Moselle district has been steadily increasing, now amounting to more than half, 38 per cent. being exported in 1912, 13 per cent. going to Germany, 22 per cent. Belgium. The war, naturally, has greatly interfered with the working of the French Lorraine mines. Signs are not lacking, however, that soon these valuable deposits will again be transferred to the hands of their rightful owners.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

As a result of damaging the furniture, at 9 Pedder's Hill, last night, Robert Whyte, a cycle repairer and agent, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, he apparently being mentally deranged.

A shop employee of the Fuk Yuen Cotton Yarn firm, 94, Des Vieux Road West, was Thursday entrusted with \$167.63, with which he was instructed to purchase cloth on behalf of the firm. He has not since returned.

Two robbers, one armed with a revolver entered a house in Kramar Street Yau Ma Tei, last night and stole an opium pipe valued at \$2. One of the men discharged his revolver and the bullet passed an occupant on the thumb. The man made off and has not yet been caught.

The meteorological observations made at the Royal Observatory, Kowloon, during February show that the mean maximum temperature was 67.8 degrees Fahr., the mean 63.6 and the minimum 59.4. Sunshine was recorded during 82.6 hours and only 0.503 inch of rain fell.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Lieut. K. Bell-Irving East Surrey Regt., who was reported killed, has since been reported as wounded.

A number of local residents left by the Royal Observatory during the absence on leave of Mr. C. H. T. A. E. Sardini.

Mr. William Jeffries to act as Director of the Royal Observatory during the absence on leave of Mr. T. F. Clayton or until further notice.

FUNERAL OF CONSTABLE GOUCHER.

Amid many manifestations of sympathy and regret, the body of the late Police Constable Edward Goucher, who died yesterday morning as the result of injuries inflicted by a tiger near Faing last Monday, was interred at the Protestant Cemetery yesterday evening.

The coffin was consigned on a gun carriage and attended by a large representation of the Police Force including Inspectors, sergeants, constables, warders at the gaol, Sikkim and Mahomedans. Among those present at the graveside were Captain E. D. Hutchison (A.D.C. representing H.E. the Governor), the Captain Superintendent of Police, Hon. Mr. McLean; Messer the Post Master General, Captain E. D. C. Wolfe; the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Mr. P. P. J. Widdowson; the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Mr. T. H. King, and the Assistant Superintendent in the New Territory, Lieut. Birmingham.

The wreaths were exceedingly numerous, and were conveyed to the cemetery on the Fai Faing Road.

The Rev. G. Griffiths, the Assistant Chaplain of St. John's Cathedral officiated at the graveside.

MARKET PRIZES.

In view of the fact that several connoisseurs have been fined recently for charging more than the official retail price for articles of food stuffs, housekeepers will be advised to consult the official list of revised prices which is published in to-day's Gazette. The list is too long to repeat in full, but the proper maximum charge for some of the principal necessities is appended:

Flour, first grade, 20lb bag, \$1.50, per 10 cents. Second grade, \$1.40; 10 cents. Third grade, \$1.30; 7 cents.

Thick milk, sweetened condensed, 1lb tin, 33 cents; unsweetened, 25 cents; sterilized, 18 oz tin, 20 cents; 1 litre tin, 35 cents; skins, 1lb \$1.15; refined crystallized, 1lb, 14 cents; granulated, 14 cents; cost, 14 cents; quality 13 cents; cost, 12 cents.

The Dairy Farm price of frozen food and other stores, quoted in the company's price list and announced on Feb. 8 are maximum retail prices of the articles enumerated in it. Copies can be seen at the Treasury or at the Dairy Farm premises.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V.D.

PARADES.

Parade for Monday, 15th instant.—N.O.O.s. No. 2 Section Artillery Battery, Right Section M.G. Co., Centre Section M.G. Co., and Civil Service Company, drill at Headquarters under Sergeant Bullock. Remaining, nil.

DETACH.

For duty at Volunteer Headquarters and Mount Austin Barracks 20th to 27th instant.—No. 2 Section Artillery Battery, Right Section M.G. Co., Centre Section M.G. Co., Civil Service Company, No. 1 Section Artillery Battery, and Left Section M.G. Co.

OFFICERS ON DUTY.

At Volunteer Headquarters: Captain and Lieut. Kenneth.

At Mount Austin Barracks: Lieut. Denby.

Orderly Officer: Lieut. Kenneth.

Orderly Sergeant: Corp. Bolton.

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A GOOD many people think rheumatism can not be cured without taking strong medicines. Chamberlain's Pain Balm massaged thoroughly into the skin has cured, for more rheumatism than any internal remedy, in existence, and given relief whenever it was used. For sale by all Chemists and Shopkeepers.

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HONGKONG ENGINEERS INSTITUTE.

PROFESSOR MIDDLETON SMITH ELECTED PRESIDENT.

There was a good attendance at the 24th annual general meeting of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders (Hongkong branch) last night, Mr. H. T. Richardson presiding.

The Committee of Management's annual report for last year showed that the Institution had the following membership roles: Honorary, 9; Ordinary, 145; Associate, 29; Visiting "A," 55; Visiting "B," 33; total, 274. This included 34 members on the absent list, and others exempt from paying subscriptions through being disengaged.

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SCOTTISH LETTER

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, Feb. 11.
ATHOLL BROOK.

In a letter from the front, a Parchiesh man mentions that he has brought Atholl brook on Burns' Night. Upon this an interesting correspondence broke out in the Scottish newspapers as to the proper recipe for the "frazhant." In "Kidnapped" it was recalled that Stevenson says it's prepared by mixing whisky, eggs, and milk together. Then it is stated, "the Dacal House of Atholl claim to have a special mixture; when their relatives are entertained at Blair Castle, Atholl brook is always served round; and 'R. L. E.' gives the 'Dundalk House Recipe' as follows:—In a bowl dilute the required quantity of clear strained honey with a little cold water; add whisky until the consistency of a liqueur; the honey will then amalgamate with the whisky and be mixed with the water. Unfortunately the quantities of proportions are given. 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THE WAR.

BRITISH AUXILIARY CRUISER PATROL TORPEDOED.

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE.

BRITISH AND BELGIAN SUCSESSES IN FLANDERS.

THE FRENCH DARDANELLES EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

BRITISH AUXILIARY CRUISER PATROL TORPEDOED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, Mar. 13, 2.10 a.m. The Admiralty announces that the auxiliary cruiser patrol "Bayano" sank on Thursday. She was probably torpedoed. Forty-eight were saved and fourteen are missing.

(Reuter's Service.)

200 PERSONS DROWNED.

LONDON, Mar. 13, 3.25 a.m. The Bayano was torpedoed at 9 a.m. off Croswell Point, Wigtonshire. She sank almost immediately. Two hundred persons perished.

Another telegram states that the Admiralty announces that four officers and twenty men were rescued. A Belfast collier landed the survivors at Ayr.

ESCAPE FROM A SUBMARINE.

LONDON, Mar. 13, 3.25 a.m. On Thursday evening the "Castleragh" took refuge from a submarine at Ballintubber, Portrush.

FRENCH GENERALS WOUNDED.

LONDON, Mar. 13, 3.25 a.m. A telegram from Paris states that General Manoury, an Army commander, and General Villaret, a corps commander, while inspecting the first line of trenches, thirty yards from the enemy, were wounded by a bullet, while examining the Germans through a loophole.

THE FRENCH DARDANELLES EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

LONDON, Mar. 12. A Paris telegram states that it is officially announced that the Dardanelles Expeditionary Force, concentrated in North Africa, will be commanded by General Durand. It consists partly of Algerians and partly of troops from France, a portion of which is already en route.

NOTABLE BELGIAN ARMY PROGRESS.

LONDON, Mar. 12, 4.30 p.m. A Paris communiqué states: Two divisions of the Belgian Army progressed, at various points, from 400 to 500 metres, notably in the direction of Schoordalke, south-east of Nieuport. There is nothing to report from the rest of the front.

OVERSEAS RECRUITS.

QUESTION IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, March 11. In the House of Commons, a question was asked whether arrangements could be made to utilize the services of the numbers of young men in the overseas Dominions who were anxious to serve.

Mr. Lewis Harcourt (Secretary of State for the Colonies) said that all the self-Governing Colonies had put large forces in the field and were maintaining, and even increasing, the strength thereof. The Imperial Government had considered all the arrangements for dealing with available recruits, which were best left in the hands of the Dominion Governments immediately concerned.

THE POSITION AT TSINGTAU.

LONDON, March 11. In the House of Commons, Sir Edward Grey (Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs) answering a question, said that Tsingtau was still in the hands of the Japanese military authorities. As a result of communications with the Japanese Government, access to the port had been allowed to a certain number of British vessels.

In reply to another question, Sir Edward Grey said His Majesty's Government was not in a position to make a statement in regard to the negotiations proceeding between Japan and China.

ANGLO-BUSSIAN FRIENDSHIP.

MESSAGE FROM KING GEORGE.

LONDON, March 12. The King, replying to a message from the Russia Society, established to promote Anglo-Russian friendship, has conveyed his hearty sympathy with every effort to promote and maintain a complete and lasting understanding between the peoples of the British and Russian empires and says he shares in the anticipation which the Society's message contains of the final and glorious victory of the Allies in the war.

THE STRUGGLE ON THE WESTERN FRONT.

FURTHER DETAILS OF THE GREAT BRITISH VICTORY.

LONDON, Mar. 11, 5.5 p.m. A Paris communiqué states that the British attack yesterday resulted in the capture of 2,500 metres of trenches before Neuve Chapelle, and also the village itself. The British then progressed in the direction of Aubers, in far as Pietre Mill, and in a south easterly direction to the border at Bois Bubiez. The advance was about two kilometres beyond Neuve Chapelle.

The German artillery only fired a few shots.

INDIAN TROOPS PARTICIPATE.

LONDON, Mar. 12. The War Office announces that the Fourth Army Corps and an Indian Corps advanced yesterday over a front of 4,000 yards, for roughly three-quarters of a mile. They captured all the intervening hostile positions and trenches. The Corps on their right and left were also engaged.

Over 700 prisoners were taken.

British aircraft were active, and destroyed the railway junctions of Courtrai and Menin.

BY TELEGRAPH.

FURTHER SUCCESS OF THE ALLIES IN BELGIUM.

LONDON, Mar. 12, 1.15 p.m. The Paris evening communiqué says:—

The British successfully bombarded Westende in Belgium and we repulsed two attacks near the Zundvoorde sector at Ypres.

The British in the region of Neuve Chapelle repulsed two counter-attacks inflicting great loss on the enemy.

We made marked progress on Wednesday evening in the wood west of Perthes against desperate German resistance, and we repulsed a counter-attack at Reichackerhoff in the Vosges.

THE FIGHTING ON THE EASTERN FRONT.

STUBBORN BATTLES IN POLAND.

LONDON, Mar. 12, 1.30 a.m. A Potomac communiqué says:—Between the Niemen and the Vistula extremely stubborn battles took place on the 10th inst. in the region of the Simon valleys of the Onuleff and Orgitz rivers and in the direction of Prusy.

All the enemy attacks in the Carpathians were repulsed. In a counter-attack near Gorlice, we annihilated the Austrian units which attempted to entrench themselves on our front after failure in a night attack.

THE TREATMENT OF SUBMARINE PRISONERS.

GERMANY'S THREAT.

LONDON, Mar. 12. Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent telegraphs that it was announced in the Budget Committee of the Reichstag that inquiries were being made of the British Government regarding the reports that crews of German submarines were being treated differently from other prisoners. It was declared that the sharpest reprisals would be taken if the reports were confirmed.

GERMAN AUXILIARY CRUISER ACTIVE.

EIGHT VESSELS SUNK.

LONDON, Mar. 12. A telegram from New York states that the German auxiliary cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich has arrived at Newport News with over 300 passengers and the crews of eight vessels which she sank, including an American vessel.

The cruiser will probably be interned.

The Captain of the Frye says he was carrying wheat to Queenstown, and that the Germans had no right to sink his ship. It is generally conceded that this unfriendly act will require explanation by Germany.

LONDON, Mar. 12. A Washington message states that the Neutrality Board has recommended that the Prinz Eitel Friedrich be permitted such repairs as to render her seaworthy under the supervision of the American Naval authorities.

ATTEMPT ON A COASTER.

LONDON, Mar. 12. A German submarine fired at and attempted to torpedo a coaster named the Helen off the Mersey. The torpedo missed by twenty yards.

Hanover Service.

FRONT STOCK.

On the 11th inst. French stock stood at 71.67.

(Official Telegrams from the British Foreign Office.)

MOSLEM LOYALTY IN SINGAPORE.

LONDON, March 11. The following telegram from the Governor of the Straits Settlements has been received by the Secretary of State for the Colonies:—

A deputation from the most influential Singapore Moslems presented to me today a resolution, passed on March 6th at a mass meeting of over 3,000 Moslems, to be placed before His Majesty the King. The translation is:—

"We, the Moslems of Singapore, have from first to last been constant in our allegiance and in our loyalty to the Throne."

THE DEFENCE OF PALESTINE.

Fortifications at Nazareth.

KAISER AND ISLAM.

Some curious details, wrote Mr. Hugh Martin, the Special Correspondent of the "Daily News," London, of the methods employed by the Germans to impress the Turkish Army and win over public opinion in Syria are supplied me by a missionary of the Evangelical and Medical Mission to Israel, who has reached this country as a refugee from Haifa.

To celebrate an alleged victory of the Germans in the Caucasus a Turkish festival was recently organised at Haifa, one of the principal feasts being a great procession in honour of Mahomet. The Laborers, paper of the German colony at Haifa is said to have taken a prominent part in this singular affair, and joined in reciting the "Allah protect the Kaiser Hajji Wilhelm."

For the benefit of the Arabs, some of whom appear to have accepted the story readily enough, it has been discovered that the Kaiser is a lineal descendant of the Prophet's sister, and that he has undertaken to go on a pilgrimage to Mecca when the war is over. That the German nation as a whole has been converted to Islam is generally believed by the less educated members of the native community.

MISSIONS OF NAZARETH.

The military preparations of the mission, at present, to the defence of British invasion of Palestine, as well as an offensive movement in the direction of the Suez Canal. The hills around Nazareth are said to have been fortified, and to be suitable for the transport of heavy guns, as are being constructed from Acre to Mount Carmel. The majority of the German colony have left Haifa for British Palestine, and the German Consul's family has gone to Tiberias.

From conversations with Syrian refugees I gather that the Turks in preparing

for a pretended to be an attack upon Egypt, is fully maintaining his reputation for ruthlessness. Under German guidance his brutality has been systematised, but in no degree abated. Many thousands of Jews have already fled from Palestine, and the American cruiser Tennessee and several Italian vessels are still busy shipping from Jaffa to Alexandria in hopes of victims who have collected on the seacoast.

TURKISH BRUTALITY.

My informants agree that civil order is being maintained in Jerusalem and the interior generally, German influence being everywhere directed to this end, but the Turks are proving willing tools for the task of reducing the population to beggary in order to supply the Army. Commanding Generals have simply become a superfluous for wholesale robbery. In many villages all the grain stock and other food has been seized, together with every horse, camel, donkey, and sheep have been ransacked for anything that could be spared by any stretch of imagination to be supposed to be of value as military supplies.

Yet, in spite of these measures, the Army in some districts appears to be in a condition of semi-starvation, the commanding arrangements having completely broken down. There is also a serious shortage of some kinds of Army clothing, particularly boots. Leggings and water proofs are taken by officers from civilians in the public streets.

HUGH MARTIN.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

AMERICAN CABINET MINISTER ILL.

LONDON, March 12.

Reuter's Washington correspondent telegraphs that Mr. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury, is in hospital suffering from appendicitis.

MEXICO ASKED TO EXPLAIN.

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A telegram from Washington states that Great Britain has asked General Carranza for an explanation regarding the seizure of a British steamer.

LOST AT SEA.

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CHIEF OFFICER OF THE S.S. LOKSANG DROWNED.

LONDON, March 12.

On the arrival of the s.s. Loksang (India China Navigation Co.) yesterday evening the captain reported that the chief officer, William H. Hockford, had been lost at sea while the vessel was on a trip to Hongkong from Haiphong and Hanoi. The exact circumstances of the disappearance are unknown but it is presumed that the officer committed suicide by jumping overboard. The sea was practically calm the whole trip. Hockford, a native of Hull, and his wife, and his home address, 3 Victoria Terrace, Dunfermline. He was about 41 years of age and joined the India China Co. in 1903. He had been employed in many of the company's ships.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Will you be good enough to insert the following for the information of the subscribers to the Fund, as my Committee desires me to give full particulars as to the manner in which the money is disbursed, and how the cigarettes and tobacco are forwarded to the front and trenches.

Hereto the consignments were sent direct from Hongkong by the P. and O. Co. through the courtesy of Hon. Mr. Hewitt, C.M.G., freight free; but owing to the length of time taken in transit, it was thought better to have the consignments sent direct from the factory.

This is now done and the manager of the British-American Tobacco Co. Ltd., whose house the consignments are sent direct from the factory, addressed to the D.D.O.S., Arsenal, London, for transmission to the home.

The cost of the Woodbine cigarettes is £1 per 3,000 and the plug tobacco £1 per lb., which are the same rates as charged to those who send from Hongkong.

On each consignment being despatched a letter is forwarded to the following London Papers giving them information of the quantities sent viz:—

Manager—Lloyd's Weekly.

Reynold's Newpaper.

The People's Newpaper.

New's of the World.

Daily Mirror.

My Committee beg to thank those who have generously contributed to the fund and trust others will send their subscriptions to help the good cause and to enable them to keep the supplies going during this terrible war.

Subscriptions will be received by either the Morning or Evening Papers, members of the Committee, or the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer and such subscriptions will be acknowledged as follows.

The amount sent to date to the front and trenches—705,000 cigarettes (5,000 Egyptian cigarettes presented by Messrs. Delegouy Bros. out of the above being sent to the Baso Hospital for the sick and wounded) and 1,048 lbs. of plug tobacco.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

GEO. J. B. SAYERS,

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

ENGINEERS' BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

An billiard tournament between the Engineers' Institute members and the Kewishon Dock Club has just concluded.

The Institute defeating their opponents by the close margin of 160 points to 240.

Two games, at home and away, were played by each interclub pair, and the issue being in doubt almost to the last game the play was very closely followed by the respective pairings.

In the appended scores the figures in parentheses refer to the best break.

INSTITUTE DOCK CLUB.

Capt. Room 216 v. Mr. Grey ... 250 (28)

250 (28) v. Mr. Smith ... 228 (29)

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral.

4TH SUNDAY IN LENT, MARCH 14TH, 1915.
Holy Communion (8.5 a.m.)
Detroit, Ashland, Flynn, 629, 329, 324, 351;
4 Services Merbecke.
Matins (11 a.m.)
Responses, Ferial; Venit, Alook; Paulus, Robinson; Benedictine, Arnold; Amos; Arnold; Jubilate, Ayrton; Flynn, 228, 332.
Evening (5.45 p.m.)
Responses, Ferial; Psalms, of the 14th morning; Magnificat, Turtur, (2nd evening); Nunc Dimittis, Fye 21st (morning); Hymns, 256. Special paper, 3028; Psalm, 51, Felton.

St. Peter's, West Point.
Seaman's Chorale.

Holy Communion at 8 a.m.

Matins at 11 a.m.

Responses, Ferial; Venit, Jones; Psalm, as written for the 14th morning of the month; Chants selected from Cathedral Psalter.

Bingley, Sturby, Smart; Benedictine, Battishill; Tomlinson; Battishill; Benedictus, Clemmison in O. Hymns from Church Hymnal 162, 317 Time 280, 310.

Preacher: W. F. Featherston, M.A., Bishop's Chaplain.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

Holy Communion at 8 o'clock a.m.

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Union Church, Kennedy Road.

11 a.m.—Hymns, 18, 569, 198, 325.

5 p.m.—Hymns, 18, 11, 226, 110.

Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Macdonach.

The Gospel Hall.

28 Queen's Road.

(2 doors from bottom of D'Aguilar Street).

On the Lord's Day Believers meet for Worship at 8 a.m. and the Lord's Supper at 4 p.m. Children's Meeting, at 8 p.m. Preaching Tuesday and Thursday, at 8 p.m. Exposition of Scripture Saturday at 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting.

First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Macdonald Road.

Sundays, 11.15 a.m.

Wednesdays, 6.30 p.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church.

Wanchai.

Sunday Morning Service 10.15 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service 6.15 p.m.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home.

Arsenal Street.

Sunday Evening, Chapel Service, 8 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church,

Garden Road.

Homeward Service at 10 a.m. followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Roman Catholic Cathedral,

Glenmore.

Low Mass at 8, 7 and 9 a.m.

High Mass at 8 a.m.

6.30 p.m.—Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

Mails.

The P. M. S. Co.'s a.s. China will sail from Yokohama on Friday, March 12th for Hongkong, via Manila. The mails have been transferred to the Messageries Maritimes' steamer, Atlantic, scheduled to arrive at Hongkong on the 30th March.

Other Vessel.

The s.s. Iota, from Calcutta and Straits left Siam on the 9th March, p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 12th March.

The s.s. Sanjaya, sailed from Calcutta on the 3rd March, and may be expected here on or about the 25th March.

The s.s. Umanji, sailed from Calcutta on the 5th March, and may be expected here on or about the 25th March.

The H. & A. Co.'s a.s. Empire left Sydney for this port via Ceylon, Paris and Manila, on 6th March, and may be expected to arrive here on or about 26th March.

The Barber Line's a.s. Bolton Castle left New York for Hongkong via Panama Canal on the 29th January, and is therefore expected to arrive here about the beginning of April.

Latest advices.

The D. E. A. Co. Ltd.'s a.s. Arabien is due here from Sabang on the 20th March.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

Fees.

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